

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್.ಎಲ್.ಎಸ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಅದು ಬಹಳ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನೆಕ್ಕೂರಿನಿಂದ ಇದ್ದರೆ ಹೇಗೆ? ಪ್ರತಿವರ್ಷ ನಾವು ರೇಷು ರಿವೈಜ್ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಆ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆ ಯಾವರೀತಿ ಮುಂದೆ ಬರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—May I know when the Factory goes into production?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—I think it is there in the agreement. I am told they are going into production during the year 1969.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Question Nos. 511, 512, 513 and 514 lapse as the members absent. Next question.

Closure of Arrack Shops in Tumkur District

515. Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY (Chickananayakanahally).—

Will the Minister for Finance, Planning, Commerce and Industries be pleased to state :—

(a) whether many arrack shops in Tumkur District were closed one or two days in a week for want of supply;

(b) if so, the reasons for the same?

A.—Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE (Minister for Finance, Planning Commerce and Industries).—

(a) Only two shops did not get the supply for 5 days from 16th January 1968.

(b) Unexpected increase of demand for arrack.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—In answer to (b) it is stated as “unexpected increase of demand for arrack”. May I know what was the estimated quantity and what is the demand that has arisen afresh?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—I can only say that the demand was much more than what we expected. We never expected that there will be heavy demand in the first month of relaxation.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that due to short supply of molasses the arrack is not produced and supplied in required quantities? Have you investigated this?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—Yes Sir. The shortage is due to non-supply of raw materials that is alcohol and molasses. This year we have a total shortage of molasses to the extent of 70,000 tons.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Now we shall take up question No. 497 and then proceed to the held our questions.